



BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES

May 20, 2026

Osage Center

1625 N. Kingshighway, Cape Girardeau, MO 63701

Board Voting Members Present:

Mr. Drew Christian, SEMO Regional Planning Commission (SEMO RPC)
Mr. Rodney Bollinger, City of Jackson
Mr. Matt Winters, City of Jackson
Mr. Trevor Pulley, City of Cape Girardeau
Ms. Ginny Smith, Cape Girardeau County Transit
Mr. Jeremy Tanz, SEMO Regional Planning Commission
Mr. Dwain Hahs, City of Jackson
Mr. Mark Phillips, Cape Special Road District
Mr. Jake Gerrard, City of Cape Girardeau
Ms. Tameka Randle, City of Cape Girardeau

Board Non-Voting Members Present

Mr. Cary Harbison, SEMO Port
Mr. Steven Daume, Cape Girardeau County
Mr. Jason Williams, Missouri Department of Transportation

Technical Planning Committee (TPC) Members Present:

Mr. Cary Harbison, Semo Port (via Zoom)
Mr. Drew Christian, SEMO Regional Planning Commission (SEMO RPC)
Mr. Rodney Bollinger, City of Jackson
Mr. Mark Phillips, Cape Special Road District

Technical Planning Committee (TPC) Non-Voting Members Present:

Mr. Joe Killian, Missouri Department of Transportation (MoDOT)
Mr. Corbin Carlton, Missouri Department of Transportation
Mr. Thomas Caldwell, Illinois Department of Transportation (via Zoom)
Mr. Michael Brandon, Missouri Department of Transportation (via Zoom)

Others Present:

Ms. Pamela Masterson, Missouri Department of Transportation
Mr. Seiji Shimbo, Missouri Department of Transportation

Staff Present:

Mr. Alex McElroy, City of Cape Girardeau

Program Administration/Support Consultant Present:

Ms. Janice Collier, KLG Engineering

Call to Order

Vice Chairperson, Mr. Dwain Hahs called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

Introductions

All those present introduced themselves.

Adoption of Agenda

Upon a motion by Mr. Tanz, seconded by Mr. Bollinger, the agenda of the May 20, 2026, Board of Directors Meeting, was unanimously approved.

Approval of Minutes

Upon a motion by Ms. Smith, seconded by Mr. Pulley, the minutes of the April 15, 2026, Board of Directors meeting minutes were unanimously approved.

Communications from the Chairman

Mr. Hahs had no communication.

Public Comments

Mr. Hahs asked if there were any comments from the public regarding items not on the agenda. There were none.

New/Unfinished Business

Public Hearing – 2027-2030 Transportation Improvement Program – Mr. McElroy stated a Public Hearing was needed to discuss the 2027-2030 Transportation Improvement Program. Mr. Hahs opened the public hearing and asked if anyone would like to comment. There was none. The public hearing was closed by Mr. Hahs.

Resolution No. 2026-03, A Resolution Approving the FY 2027-2030 Transportation Improvement Program Update – Reading and Passage - Mr. McElroy reported the open houses were held last month. Mr. McElroy explained the TIP outlines the four years of proposed projects. The public comment period ended on April 27. The proposed TIP includes 35 million of programmed projects. A motion was made to approve the resolution, by Ms. Smith and seconded by Mr. Phillips. The motion was unanimously approved.

Multimodal Freight Plan – Mr. McElroy stated the planning committee received a presentation from the consultants, earlier this month. The consultants outlined the study schedule, reviewed the anticipated outreach activities and the stakeholder interviews, which are currently being conducted. The schedule and presentation have been updated to the SEMPO website with a page dedicated to the Freight studies. The project was proposed to be a 12-month project and Mr. McElroy stated the project should be completed by December or January.

Transit System Planning – Mr. McElroy reported public open houses were held in Jackson on April 15 and on April 16 in Cape Girardeau, at the Shawnee Rec Center. Mr. McElroy stated currently the consultants are working to analyze the feedback that has been received. The employer survey has been sent out, as well as the survey to the public. A QR code is provided for the public to complete the study. A handout with the consultant's progress report was also provided.

East Jackson Boulevard/South Donna Drive in Jackson – Signal Upgrade and Intersection Improvement (MoDOT – Job #JSE0071) – Mr. Hahs gave an overview of the project which includes a turn lane on the West side of Donna Drive. Representatives from MoDOT provided drawings of the proposed improvements. The city representatives and MoDOT representatives discussed the property owned by Charlie Glueck. The representatives agreed to hold a private meeting to discuss the project and the impacted property owner.

Member Reports

City of Cape Girardeau – Mr. Pulley reported the utilities are complete on the South Sprigg project, and the overlay work is currently being completed. The work is expected to be complete by July. The city is currently working on bids for the North Sprigg street project and expect to take this to the council in July. The West Cape Rock Sidewalk project has been awarded to Nip Kelly, with a preconstruction meeting to be scheduled. The Main Street project is being designed in house. Mr. Pulley reported the Cape LaCroix trail is underway and the expected completion date is September. Mr. Pulley reported that the city has a possible 13 streets scheduled for concrete repair un TTF6.

City of Jackson – Mr. Hahs reported that the Deerwood roundabout project is open. The city is receiving proposals for a center sign on the roundabout. The city is looking at replacing the bridge on Main Street over Goose Creek. They are planning to add the engineering analysis for the bridge at Adams and West Main Street. - Smith and Company are working on the Middle School sidewalk and crosswalk project. The East Jackson Street light project is moving ahead with construction starting in July and completing by the end of the year. The gravel street project will be starting on East Old Cape Road. On Otto Drive, a storm sewer washed out and the council completed an emergency contract with Putz construction to replace and repair the storm sewer.

Cape Girardeau County – Mr. Daume reported that the paving will begin in August. They are waiting to hear from MoDOT on BRO projects and their crews are currently replacing culverts and improving site distances.

Cape Special Road District – Mr. Phillips reported the asphalt projects have been completed by Pace Construction.

Cape Transit Authority – Ms. Smith stated she had no report.

SEMO Port Authority – Mr. Harbison stated they are continuing with the railroad track construction project.

SEMO REDI – No Report was given.

Cape Regional Airport – Mr. Stewart reported the Cape Girardeau Regional Airport held a pre-construction meeting for Taxiways E and F and secured an IJJA ATP Grant from the FAA for a Passenger Boarding Bridge.

SEMO RPC – Mr. Christian reported he is still working on the TIP update and amendments.

Bootheel Regional Planning – No report was given.

MoDOT - Mr. Carlton reported they have 5 big projects for the upcoming construction season. The first being the Bloomfield Road and the bridge approach. Guard rail updates on north I-55. Emerson bridge project has been begun with milling work and putting back PCPP, as well putting back cable tie downs. This will take a couple of months. APEX was awarded the bid on the I55 overlay project. This work will be completed at night. Route K and Notre Dame roundabout Phase 1 has begun. Mill fill work has begun under I-55 at Fruitland and they are working on the Jackson sidewalk project. Mr. Killian stated he had a draft STIP along for review. The STIP is currently in the public comment period and can be found on the website. The STIP should be approved by the commission in July.

IDOT – Mr. Caldwell stated he had no report.

FHWA – No report was given.

Staff Report

Mr. McElroy had no further report.

Other Business and Communications

There was no other business or communications.

Adjournment Motion

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned. upon motion made by Mr. Pulley and seconded by Mr. Phillips, and unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted,
Janice Collier